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ASKS TEN DAYS FOR STATE FAIR THE STREET CAR STRIKE SEEMS BROKEN

LEOPOLD MADE GRANTS

Give Americans Large Congo Interests to Keep Out Invasion

Brussels, Dec. 18.—It is learned from an authoritative source that the concession made to America in Congo is greater than was supposed. Leopold was led to make concessions, the agitation in England designed to seize the state on the grounds that such a seizure would be in the interest of civilization. As Belgium has no navy it has little means of defense. The king sought an ally. He decided that private American interest in the Congo would be more advantageous than anything else. His emissaries saw this advantage, and pressed the king until they secured the practical control of the country. From self interest Americans do all possible to prevent for invasion.

Rivers and Harbors Bill.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The committee on banking and currency and the rivers and harbor committee today agreed to take up a rough draft of the rivers and harbors bill on December 21 and make an early report.

GOT CHANGE OF VENUE.

Laundon Thinks He Will Not Get Fair Trial.

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 18.—Robert Laundon, the recently elected secretary of state, who is under indictment for embezzlement in Washington county, obtained a change of venue to Canyon county. The trial will be held at Caldwell December 27th.

PROUTY BEGINS INVESTIGATION

Will Relieve Northwest From the Mississippi Valley.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty this morning began the inquiry on the car shortage. Prouty will investigate the possibility of relieving the Northwest from this territory.

Investigating Insurance Company.

New York, Dec. 18.—Jerome today took up the investigation of the New York Life Insurance company before the grand jury. Twenty-five witnesses were summoned and 100 of the company's books ordered for examination. Jerome questioned the witnesses in person. The syndicate operations of the officers will be investigated.

Hames the Dealers.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—William P. Rand, probably the largest coal operator in Illinois, says there is no excuse for the shortage of fuel in the Northwest. He thinks the dealers in that section did not use proper discretion in buying for the winter ahead.

INCREASE LENGTH OF FAIR

State Fair Should Continue For at Least Ten Days

One of the principal recommendations which President W. H. Downing made to the board of agriculture, in annual session this afternoon is that the annual state fair be prolonged from the usual six days to at least 10 days. As a reason for this recommendation he cites the conditions which prevailed at the last meeting, when by reason of the continued downfall of rain for three days of the week the prospect for what promised to be the most successful fair in the history of the state was utterly ruined and, instead of coming out with a handsome balance to the credit of the state, there was a slight deficiency.

This deficiency, however, is accounted for by the fact that of the receipts shown for this year \$2751.08 was paid out for permanent improvements and \$1618.82 indebtedness for the year 1904. The financial report of Secretary F. W. Durbin shows the total receipts for 1906, \$25,715.41, and the disbursements, \$24,928.79. President Downing calls attention to the improvements made to the buildings and grounds previous to the fair, aggregating a cost of \$2571.08 and urges the appropriation of means for further necessary improvements consisting of new stalls for horses and cattle. He also calls attention to the premium awards this year, which amounted to \$10,960 and showing that the appropriation for that purpose was exceeded by \$960.

Another recommendation he makes, to which he called attention in his last report, and that is that an appropriation be made to enable the board to gather and compile data of the resources of the state, which is one of the requirements of the board but for which there has never been an appropriation. "It is an important and necessary duty," he says, "and we hope the legislature will make the required provision."

The annual election of officers took place at this meeting and resulted as follows:

President, W. H. Downing.
Vice president, Jasper Wilkins.
Treasurer, A. Bush.
Secretary, Frank Welch.

Total Receipts.
From race entries.....\$ 4,949.35
Ground rent and license..... 4,333.35
Division entries..... 2,226.55
Gate receipts..... 8,850.30
Farm and stall rent..... 414.47
Miscellaneous..... 1,167.65
Amt. due race entries..... 1,984.00
Breeders' Ass'n..... 500.00
Amt. due Hereford Breeders' Ass'n..... 100.00
Amt. due other sources..... 35.00
161 bu. oats on hand at 34 cents per bu..... 54.74

Total amt. receipts due and amt. due.....\$25,715.41

Total Disbursements.
Labor.....\$ 3,210.67
Advertising..... 1,976.33
Miscellaneous..... 2,626.24
Premiums..... 8.00
Racing stakes..... 11,655.00
Salary and mileage per diem..... 1,982.65
Improvements..... 2,751.08
Paid out-standing warrants 1904 fair..... 1,618.82

Total disbursements.....\$24,928.79
This statement shows paid out of the receipts of the 1906 fair \$2751.08 for permanent improvements, and \$1618.82 indebtedness from the year 1904.

North Bend will soon have a new Catholic church.

HARRY THAW'S TRIAL.

Will Begin on the Last Day of the Year.

New York, Dec. 18.—Harry Thaw will be tried January 31st. Justice Newberger set this date after agreement between the attorneys.

Dead and Dying.

Marysville, Cal., Dec. 18.—Fire Chief J. J. Bradley and R. Moran are dying and thirty others are injured and some seriously as the result of the dynamite explosion during fire which started at midnight in the factory of White, Cooley & Cutts on E. street. Bradley is frightfully mangled. Moran's eyes are gone and his leg broken and badly cut. Firemen are at work. Many spectators were about when the dynamite in the iron chest exploded hurling the debris into the crowd. The explosion wrecked many buildings, windows were broken all over town. The fire spread to the adjoining buildings but was subdued. The loss is thirty thousands dollars. W. H. Truse, a traveling salesman of Portland, is among the injured.

Promise Relief Today.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 18.—The fuel famine in the northwest will be broken within 24 hours as a result of the interstate commerce commission's inquiry in this city today. The commission was represented by Jas. S. Harlan, of Chicago, and Franklin K. Lane, of San Francisco. Mr. Lane is taking personal charge of the fuel inquiry, while Mr. Harlan is busily engaged in the car shortage inquiry. It was decided that the fuel famine was the more important, there being already many reports at hand of the suffering.

Mr. Lane questioned E. C. Blanchard, division superintendent of the Northern Pacific at Duluth, and D. M. Philbin, assistant general agent for the Great Northern road at Duluth, today. Before Mr. Lane had finished his examination both witnesses had promised that relief would be forthcoming within the next 24 hours, and orders have been given to rush coal to the suffering towns, all other traffic being made secondary until supplies shall have been furnished.

The secretary of the Minneapolis chamber of commerce submitted a statement showing that the movement of the crop this year had fallen off many millions of bushels, compared with previous years.

POVERTY CIRCLE APPEARS.

Railroads Aid to Big Corporations Causes All the Trouble.

Minneapolis, Dec. 18.—The assistance railroads lend to the great corporations to destroy small dealers; the existence of the coal trust; losses through car shortage to small dealers, are shown at the interstate inquiry today. The "poverty circle" appeared today. Farmers testified they couldn't buy coal because they couldn't sell wheat. The merchants could not pay jobbers because the farmers couldn't pay, then the jobbers testified they were forced to borrow from banks. The presidents and cashiers of banks testified they must borrow from Wall street at rates raised to exorbitant heights by the same men who caused car shortage.

Presidential Nominations.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The following nominations were made today: Receiver of public moneys, Coeur d'Alene, William Ashley, Jr.; register of land office, Sacramento, John A. Armstrong; register land office, Blackfoot, Idaho, Henry W. Kiefer; Receiver public moneys, Fred C. Bradley, Hailey, Idaho; Chas. Walter, Independence, California; Benjamin C. Barber, Lewiston, Idaho.

Railroads Blame Mines.

Denver, Dec. 18.—A number of towns in the state are affected by the coal shortage. The railroads blame the mines, and say there are plenty of supplies at the mines they can't get loaded.

CRISIS IS EXPECTED TONIGHT

Affairs of the Portland Street Car Strike Will Reach a Focus This Evening

Portland, Dec. 18.—(Special to Capital Journal.)—The crisis to the strike of the employees of the street car company is expected to come tonight. If the company orders the cars to run after night fall it is expected there will be rioting.

The cars were run as usual during the day.

The electrical workers are preparing for a sympathetic strike. If this is called the efforts of the street car company will be crippled.

The street car company is running cars on schedule time. It claims 85 per cent in operation in the whole city district. It discharged former employees affiliated with union. The company announces an attempt to run cars tonight having all the men needed. The strike breakers imported from sound cities are arriving. Electrical workers in the power house are ready to go out in sympathy. The strike appears to be broken. There are no disturbances.

Rescue Hicks Tomorrow.

Bakersfield, Cal., Dec. 18.—Hicks, the entombed miner, is still under the debris which has held his prisoner eleven days. The rescue party is but a few feet from his but in a quandary as to how drive the last hole which will enable the buried man to step out. Hicks is in agony of suspense and the situation is considered critical as it is still feared the boulder hanging just above the man will fall. All night the rescuers worked with the greatest determination and this morning the engineers surveyed a detour of eight feet by which he calculate will be able to avoid another vane in and danger and reach the buried man some time tonight or tomorrow.

Will Go to Pieces.

Kingston, Dec. 18.—The Prinzess Louise will probably go to pieces on the rocks. The bottom plates are stove in and the engines badly damaged. There is a heavy sea. The body of Commander Brunwig was removed to the city today.

Indicted for Rebating.

Toledo, Dec. 18.—The federal grand jury this afternoon indicted the Ann Arbor Railroad for rebating.

Navy Promotion Too Slow.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Owing to the recent disclosures in connection with the slow rate of promotion in the navy, the heads of the departments are sitting today to devise means to redress this long standing grievance. It was recently announced that "an examination of the navy list disclosed a condition of affairs under the present law that seriously affects the efficiency of the service and constitutes a grave menace, if not a positive danger, to the public interests." As an illustration of what is likely to happen, the naval board states that unless congress takes immediate action the lower grades of the service will become so congested that a midshipman now in one of the lower grades at Annapolis may possibly not be promoted to lieutenant until he is between forty-five and fifty years old. Congress authorized a considerable increase in the number of midshipmen, but no provision was made for a corresponding increase in the upper grades. The feeling is general amongst naval authorities is that there should be three vice-admirals and twenty-one rear admirals on the active list.

Negroes to Lynch a Negro.

Winnesboro, La., Dec. 18.—A mob with blood hounds is in pursuit of Noah McLendon, a young negro, who killed Amanda Wright, his mother-in-law; Mary McLendon, his wife, and Gus Wright, his brother-in-law, and seriously wounded Wash Smith. He will be lynched by members of his own race if caught.

Phoenix Rejects Debts.

Vienna, Dec. 18.—The Phoenix Insurance Company has repudiated all claims growing out of the San Francisco disaster. Attorney Griess, representing the plaintiffs, plans to test the legality of the repudiation.

Dabner Will Hang.

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Louis Dabner, the gas pipe thug, who pleaded guilty to the murder of Munakata, the Japanese banker, today was declared guilty as charged, with no mitigating circumstances. This means that he must hang.

Blamed the Woman.

Minneapolis, Dec. 18.—Herry Husman, aged 19, was found guilty of murder in the second degree for the murder of his girl wife. He pleaded that his wife was unfaithful.

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LADIES' LONG COATS.
CHILDREN'S COATS.
SILK MIRELLAS.
SILK PETTICOATS.
SILK WAISTINGS.
LONG SILK GLOVES.
FINE KID GLOVES.
LADIES' SUITS.
DRESS SKIRTS.
FUR TOP SLIPPERS.
TABLE LINENS.
LADIES' NAPKINS.
LADIES' TOWELS.
WHITE RED SPREADS.
DOLLS AND TOYS.
SILK HANDKERCHIEFS.
EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS.
INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS.
SILK MUFFLERS.
PLAIN LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS.
GOLF GLOVES.
LADIES' HAND BAGS.
FANCY NECK WEAR.
SILK RIBBONS.
VELVET RIBBONS.
BREADEN RIBBONS.

LONG SILK VEILS.
LADIES' DRESS HATS.
BEAR SKIN COATS.
MISSSES' HATS AND CAPS.
CHILDREN'S CAPS.
NEW EMBROIDERIES.
FINE LACES.
ALLOVER LACES.
LADIES' BELTS.
LADIES' HOSIERY.
CHILDREN'S HOSIERY.
HOSE SUPPORTERS.
NOTIONS OF ALL KINDS.
PILLOW TOPS.
DRESSING SACQUES.
KNIT WOOL SHAWLS.
BLANKETS.
COMFORTS.
DOMESTICS.
MEN'S UNDERWEAR.
CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR.
LADIES' UNDERWEAR.
MEN'S HATS AND CAPS.
MEN'S NECKTIES.
MEN'S SUSPENDERS.
MEN'S HOSIERY.
MEN'S CLOTHING.
BOYS' CLOTHING.
LADIES' SHOES.
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